# Mountain West Unmanned Systems Alliance (MWUSA)



# Utah State Senate Transportation Interim Committee May 18, 2016



- Partnership of Industry, Academia and Government
- MWUSA Video

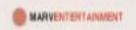
# Establishing Utah as a viable hub for responsible commercial and civil use of Unmanned Aerial Systems















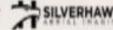








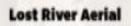












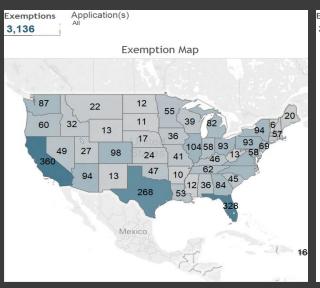


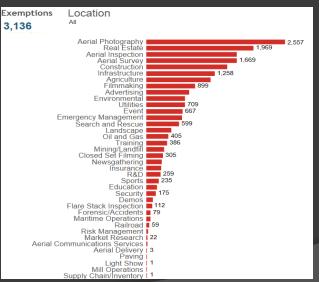
- Our Message
  - UAS / UAV is a developing industry
    - Key part of Utah's aerospace industry's future
      - Approximately 2,000 Utahns Aerospace & Defense employment is related to UAS (2013 est.)
    - Economic value to many other industry sectors
  - Economic development opportunities for Utah
    - Projection: \$859M and 1,085 jobs in first decade of UAS integration
  - Utah has a great legacy in the UAS / UAV industry
    - Academic Leadership
      - BYU, USU (Aggie Air)
    - Industry Technology Advancements
      - Sensors, Communication Systems, Flight Control, Applications

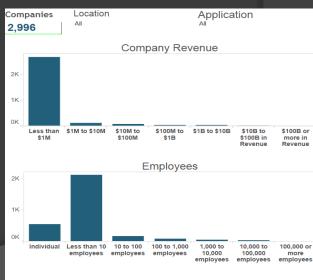
- Challenges for the Industry
  - FAA's Rules and Regulations
  - Evolution of the Regulatory Environment
    - Federal
    - State
    - Municipal
  - Differentiation between hobbyist, commercial and civil users
    - Safety
    - Responsibility
    - Air Space Management
      - Controlled Airspace
      - Regulated Airspace

THE ECONOMIC IMPACT
OF UNMANNED AIRCRAFF SYSTEMS INTEGRATION
IN THE UNITED STATES

- National Economic Impact
  - First 3 years of integration more than 70,000 jobs will be created in the US
  - Economic impact of more than \$13.6 billion
  - This benefit will grow through 2025 when we foresee more than 100,000 jobs created and economic impact of \$82 billion



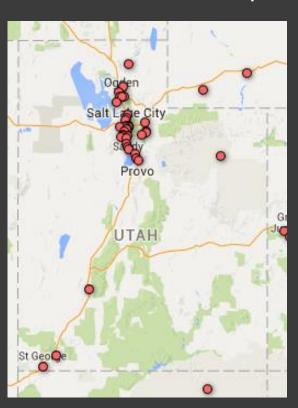


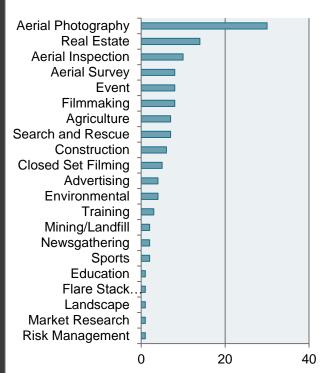


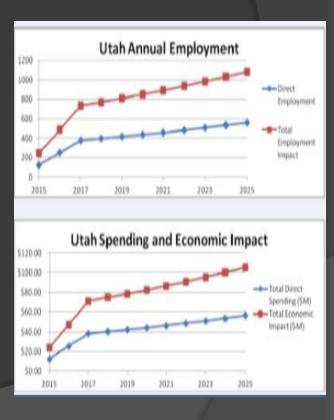
#### Utah Economic Impact

 To date, there are 39 entities in Utah that have Section 333 exemptions.









#### State of Utah UAS / UAV Academia Activities

- Utah State University (USU):
  - Aggie Air surveys of watersheds, other agricultural lands, and environmental monitoring
  - UAS research at the Space Dynamics Laboratory
- University of Utah (UofU):
  - UAS robotics technology
  - Launched companies such as Sarcos (now a Raytheon Company).
  - UAS research on UAS Command and Control (C2) and Sense and Avoid technologies
- Brigham Young University (BYU):
  - Only National Science Foundation-sponsored unmanned aircraft research center
  - Spun off UAS technology companies such as Lockheed Martin's Procerus and ImSAR
  - UAS research on UAS Command and Control (C2) and Sense and Avoid technologies

#### State of Utah UAS / UAV Academia Activities

#### Weber State University's (WSU):

 Utah Center for Aviation Innovation and Design is developing UAS platforms with broad domestic applications

#### Utah Valley University (UVU):

- Proposed Certificate of Proficiency in UAS
- Holder of a Certificate of Authorization (COA) for operation of UAS at Elberta
- Proposing UAS courses in film production, survey data collection and analysis, and fire and rescue

#### Southern Utah University (SUU):

- UA basics course within an A.A.S., Aviation degree & pursing an UA specialization for the A.A.S., Aviation degree
- The Criminal Justice program introduced the use of UAS in its Advanced Criminal Justice course
- Applying for an FAA 333 Exemption

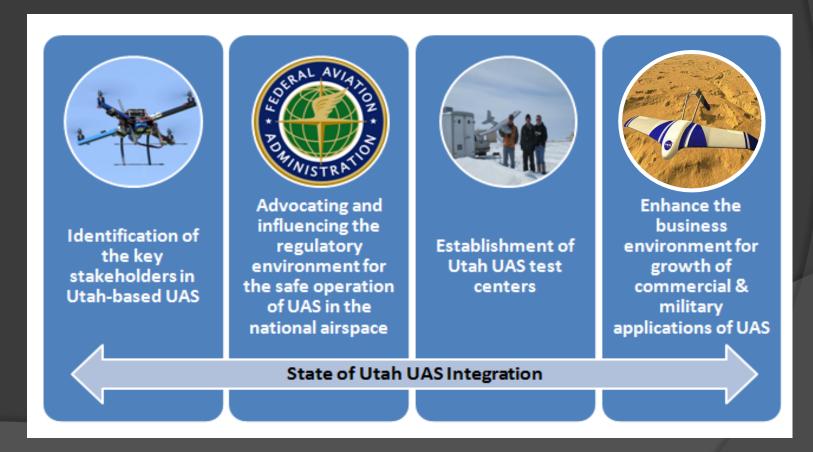
#### Utah ATC's:

Growing course curriculum to support UAS workforce pipeline

- Utah's Role in the Advancement of UAS
  - Proposal for FAA UAS Test Sites
  - Utah UAS Test Sites
    - Box Elder Public Private Partnership
    - UVU Test Site in Elberta
  - Development of GOED Statewide Business Plan for UAS Integration

#### Utah's UAS Integration Plan

 The emphasis of the state's UAS Business Plan is to create an environment conducive to the development and growth of Utah's UAS industry. This endeavor involves:



- Take-a-ways
  - Develop an awareness campaign for responsible and safe UAS operations ("Know Before You Fly")
  - Ensure passage of state legislation such that only the State of Utah can prohibit, restrict or regulate the testing or operating of UAS
  - Continue to engage the Utah UAS Stakeholders in the legislative process